

**CHAPTER NO. 668**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 3346**

**By Representatives Maddox, Sherry Jones, John DeBerry, Sontany, Mike Turner, Shaw, Pinion, Pruitt, Lois DeBerry, Armstrong, Ferguson, Langster, Marrero, Brenda Turner and Mr. Speaker Naifeh**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2868**

**By Senator Herron**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-3-101, relative to podiatrists.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-3-101(b), is amended by deleting the subdivision (1) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(1) Was prior to October 2, 1995, credentialed to perform ankle surgery by a JCAHO-accredited hospital in Tennessee or JCAHO-accredited ambulatory surgical treatment center in Tennessee; provided, a podiatrist who qualifies to perform ankle surgery under this subdivision must, if the podiatrist wishes to continue to perform ankle surgery:

(A) Notify the board as to the hospital or ambulatory surgical treatment center at which the podiatrist was credentialed to perform ankle surgery prior to October 2, 1995;

(B) Obtain, and maintain evidence of obtaining, at least ten (10) hours of approved continuing education related to ankle surgery annually; and

(C) Comply with any other requirements established by the board to ensure continued proficiency in performing ankle surgery; or

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 29, 2004

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May 2004

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR